Examination in English for Preparatory Schools

Reading Comprehension (20 M)

Q1/ A. Read this text carefully then answer (5) of the following questions. (10 M.)

An important businessman went to see his doctor because he couldn't sleep at night. The doctor examined him carefully and then said to him. 'Your trouble is that you need to learn to relax. Have you got any hobbies?' The businessman thought for a few moments and then said, 'No, doctor. I haven't. I don't have any time for hobbies.' 'Well,' The doctor answered. 'That is your main trouble, you see you don't have time for anything except your work. You must find some hobbies, and you must learn to relax with them, or you'll be dead in less than five years. Why don't you learn to paint pictures?' 'All right, doctor,' The businessman said. 'I'll try that.' The next day he telephoned the doctor and said, 'That was a very good idea of yours, doctor. Thank you very much. I've already painted fifteen pictures since I saw you.'

1. Why did the businessman go to his doctor?
2. What did the doctor advise him to do?
3. What would happen to the businessman if he didn't listen to the doctor's advice?
4. The businessman had a lot of time for hobbies. (True / False)
5. The businessman painted 51 pictures. (True / False)
6. Give the passage a suitable title.

B/ Answer or complete (5) of the following sentences using information from your text book: (10M.)

1. When Zaid Tariq got back to dry land, he was taken … (a. back to Iraq b. to get medical attention**)**
2. Why shouldn't an interpreter waste time thinking?
3. How does a radar speed gun work?
4. What is the difficult part of a banker's job?
5. People have to follow the law so that we…………..
6. What can high blood pressure cause?

Grammar and Functions: (30 Marks)

Q2 A/ Re- write the following sentences, follow the instructions between brackets. (Choose 10) (20 M.)

1. He (like) going out. but now he always wants to stay at home. (Use the correct from of used to)
2. Do you still like the job? she asked me .... (Reported question)
3. Define a lawyer. (Use: "give advice to people about the law")
4. I've decided I am going to learn Arabic. I decided .... (Future in the Past)
5. If I (not have) the operation, I would have died. (Correct)
6. (Egypt – are – in – used – coins – These). (Unscramble to make a passive sentence)
7. Unfortunately, he fell over during the race. That's why he didn't win. (Regret: use "I wish")
8. My sister hid my purse under the bed while I (not/ look). (Correct the form of the verb)
9. …………………… and brush your teeth three times a day. (Use an imperative to give advice)
10. What time have they gone to bed last night? (Correct the sentence)
11. I can't remember when I / took up / it. (Put in the correct order)
12. The police found fingerprints at scene, so I think they will arrest the thief soon. (Expectation)

B/ Choose the correct word between brackets: (5 only) (10 M.)

1. They have been married (since/ for) three years.
2. The lecture was so (boring/ bored) that I almost felt a sleep
3. I'm sorry I can't go with you. (I will go / I'm going to go) to the dentist's then.
4. A thief got into their house because they (hadn't locked / haven't looked) the door properly
5. My father made me (wash / washed) the car.
6. You're driving too fast! you (need to / needn't) slow down.

Vocabulary and Spelling: (20 Marks)

Q3.A/ Complete each sentence with the suitable word from the box: (10 M.)

(spoil, register , withdrawal, package , canteen, dizzy, let)

1_ She suddenly went pale and felt ………. during the lesson.

2_ We are looking for a ……….. deal

3_ I'm hungry. Let's have lunch in the college ....

4_ You must.............. people cross the street at a pedestrian crossing.

5_ Some people say that wind farms ………the landscape.

6_ There must be a mistake. I didn't make this ……….last week

B/ Match /he beginnings of the sentences in List A with their ending in List B. (5 only) (5M.)

List A	List B
1. She was nervous on the plane	a. because we hadn't booked.
2. When you are in a meeting,	b. because our room hadn't been cleaned.
3. We couldn't get a room	c. you need good computer skills.
4. I didn't recognize the place.	d. because it had changed so much.
5. To be a good secretary,	e. because she hadn't flown before.
6. We complained to the manager.	f. you should turn your mobile off

C/ Complete the following with correctly spelt word or letters. (Choose 5 only) (5M.)

1. joint in the leg: a .... 2. computer, comp; frequent, ...
3. injured, hurt; alerted, ... 4. do, done; leave, ...
5. excite, exciting; attract, ... 6. obey, disobey; encourage, ………...

Literature Focus: (10 Marks)

Q4. Answer or complete (5) of the following questions: (10 M.)

1_ Why did Katherine Mansfield move to London in 1903?

2_ Sattar found it (easy / difficult) to convey the death of his friend Ali.

3_ In 1967, ...

4_ People have the idea that birds are heartless and cold little creatures. (a. True b. False)

5_ What does the story "The Swing" stress on?

6_ How does the story of "The Canary" end?

Writing: (20 Marks)

Q5. Choose either A or B. (20 M.)

A / Write (100 -120) on this topic: "Cigarette advertising should be illegal."

B/ Write a short article for a travel magazine of 100 to 120 words on "Advice to tourists in Iraq"